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## **Foreign Carrier Affiliation Notification**

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, the U.S. international carriers and submarine cable landing licensees listed below filed with the Commission a notification of the affiliation they have or propose to have with foreign carriers. These notifications are filed pursuant to Sections 63.11 and 1.768 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Sections 63.11 and 1.768.

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AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky

Notification

Pursuant to Section 63.11 of the Commission's Rules, on March 15, 2011, American Samoa License Inc. (ASLI) notified the Commission of its affiliation with SamoaTel Limited in the Independent State of Samoa. ASLI amended its notification on August 20, 2012, to notify the Commission that effective May 10, 2012 the Independent State of Samoa became a member of the World Trade Organization, and therefore ASLI withdrew its request for a finding of effective competitive opportunities. In addition, ASLI stated that SamoaTel Limited is now known Bluesky Samoa Limited. AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky (AST) amended the notification again on January 4, 2017. First, AST was substituted for ASLI since ASLI has been merged into AST. See ITC-ASG-20160414-00138, International Authorizations Granted, Public Notice, DA 16-530, 31 FCC Rcd 4672, 4673 (IB 2016). Second, AST withdrew the request to be classified as non-dominant on the American Samoa-Samoa route. AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky is classified as dominant on the American Samoa-Samoa route and shall comply with the dominant carrier safeguards contained in Section 63.10(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.10(c), on the American Samoa-Samoa route

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AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky

Notification

Pursuant to section 1.768 of the Commission's rules, on March 16, 2011, AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky (AST), American Samoa Hawaii Cable, LLC (ASHC) and Samoa American Samoa Cable, LLC (SASC) notified the Commission of their affiliation with SamoaTel Limited in the Independent State of Samoa. AST, ASHC and SASC amended the notification on August 20, 2012, to notify the Commission that effective May 10, 2012 the Independent State of Samoa became a member of the World Trade Organization, and therefore they withdrew their request for a finding of effective competitive opportunities. In addition, they stated that SamoaTel Limited is now known Bluesky Samoa Limited. AST, ASHC and SASC amended the notification again on January 4, 2017 to withdraw the request to be classified as non-dominant on the American Samoa-Samoa route. AST Telecom, LLC d/b/a Bluesky, American Samoa Hawaii Cable, LLC and Samoa American Samoa Cable, LLC are affiliated with a foreign carrier with market power in Samoa, a destination market of the American Samoa Hawaii Cable System, and shall comply with the reporting requirements set out in Section 1.767(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(l), for the American Samoa-Samoa Foute.

For further information concerning this matter, please contact David Krech, Telecommunications and Analysis Division, International Bureau, (202) 418-1480; TTY: 1-888-835-5322.

Unless otherwised specified, interested parties may file comments with respect to these notifications within 14 days of the date of this public notice (see Section 1.4(b)(4)). The notifying carrier may respond within 10 days after any such pleadings are filed, and the parties that filed such pleadings may reply within 5 days. See Section 63.52(c), 1.45(c)-(j). It is requested that such comments refer to the notification file number shown above. A copy of the notification is available for public inspection in the Reference Information Center, Court Yard Level, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 888-835-5322 (tty).